

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION  
BUREAU OF ENTOMOLOGY AND PLANT QUARANTINE  
DOMESTIC QUARANTINE NOTICES

MEXICAN FRUITFLY REGULATIONS REVISED--HARVESTING SEASON  
EXTENDED TO JUNE 30, 1947

Introductory Note

The following administrative instructions extend to June 30, 1947, the harvesting season for grapefruit, sweet limes, and "sour" and "bitter-sweet" oranges produced in the area regulated by the Mexican fruitfly quarantine. This action is taken to permit the planned and orderly marketing of the remainder of the season's crop of fruit. It is deemed safe inasmuch as sterilization of grapefruit from Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy Counties will continue to be required during the extended period.

§§ 301.64-4 and 5 Administrative instructions relative to the Mexican fruitfly quarantine.--Pursuant to the authority conferred upon the Chief of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine by paragraph (a) of § 301.64-5 (Notice of Quarantine No. 64), it is hereby ordered that the harvesting season for grapefruit, sweet limes, and "sour" and "bittersweet" oranges be extended to midnight of June 30, 1947, and that the host-free period for these fruits shall begin at 12:01 a.m., July 1, 1947.

Pursuant to the authority conferred upon the Chief of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine by paragraph (e) of § 301.64-4 (Notice of Quarantine No. 64), the requirements of the administrative instructions effective April 24, 1947 (B. E. P. Q. 560), 12 F. R. 2623, pertaining to the sterilization of grapefruit from the Texas counties of Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy are hereby extended to June 30, 1947.

(Sec. 8, 37 Stat. 318, 39 Stat. 1165, 44 Stat. 250; 7 U. S. C. 1940 ed. 161; 7 CFR, 1940 sup., 301.64-4 and 5.)

Compliance with the notice, public rule making procedure, and effective date requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (Pub. Law 404, 79th Cong.; 60 Stat. 237) is impractical and contrary to the public interest in that the time intervening between the date when information upon which these instructions are based become available and the time when they must become effective to permit planned and orderly marketing of the remainder of this season's crop of fruit is insufficient for such compliance. In addition, these provisions are in the nature of a relaxation of existing requirements.

Done at Washington, D. C., this 2nd day of June 1947.

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